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CURRENT POSITION

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Assistant Professor of Business Administration, July 2023 - present

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, Ph.D. Business Administration, 2023

Stanford University, Exchange student in Economics, 2019

University of Michigan, B.S. Mathematics, B.S. Statistics, 2017

Peking University, Major in Mathematics, 2012 - 2015

PUBLICATIONS (P: Ph.D. or pre-doc student, a: assistant professor)

• Search Fatigue, Choice Deferral, and Closure Marketing Science, forthcoming

(with Z. Eddie Ning a and J. Miguel Villas-Boas)

• Dynamic Persuasion and Strategic Search Management Science, 2024

• A Dynamic Model of Optimal Retargeting Marketing Science, 2021

(with J. Miguel Villas-Boas)

WORKING PAPERS (P: Ph.D. or pre-doc student, a: assistant professor)

- Reputation for Privacy Major revision at Marketing Science
- **Precision-Recall Tradeoff in Competitive Targeting** Major revision at *Marketing Science* (with *Ganesh Iyer* and *Zemin* (*Zachary*) *Zhong* ^a)
- **Privacy and Polarization: An Inference-Based Framework** Major revision at *Management Science* (with *Tommaso Bondi* a and *Omid Rafieian* a)
- Consumer Gradual Learning and Firm Non-stationary Pricing (with Wee Chaimanowong P)
- Strategic Misinformation Generation and Detection Major revision at *Management Science* (with *Wenxiao Yang P* and *Pengxiang Zhou P*)
- Invitation to Search or Purchase? Optimal Multi-attribute Advertising Major revision at Management Science

TEACHING

• Instructor, Digital Marketing (MS), 2023 - present Teaching Evaluation: 2023: 5.9/6, 5.8/6 (adjusted mean/total)

2024: 5.9/6, 5.9/6, 5.9/6

- · Graduate Student Instructor, Game Theory (MBA), 2023
- Graduate Student Instructor, Marketing Strategy (MBA), 2022
- Graduate Student Instructor, Microeconomic Theory I, II (PhD), 2020
- · Graduate Student Instructor, Marketing (UG), 2019

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

SAP America, Development Intern (advertising attribution group), May 2018 - Dec. 2018

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Journal of Industrial Economics Fellow, 2022
- · AMA-Sheth Foundation Doctoral Consortium Fellow, 2020

TALKS

19th Annual Bass FORMS Conference (discussant)

Hong Kong Quant Marketing Brown Bag Series

2025

Berkeley Economics Theory Lunch

SICS – 22nd Summer Institute in Competitive Strategy 2024

46th INFORMS Marketing Science Conference

Hong Kong Quant Marketing Mini Conference

Hong Kong Quant Marketing Brown Bag Series

18th Annual Bass FORMS Conference

CUHK and CUHK-SZ Joint Marketing Workshop

ISMS Marketing Science Conference 2023

Bay Area Marketing Symposium Berkeley Economics Theory Lunch

17th Annual Bass FORMS Conference (discussant)

Berkeley/Columbia/Duke/MIT/Northwestern IO Theory Conference 2022

(one of four JIE fellows)

Peking University

Nova School of Business and Economics

University of Melbourne

University of Texas at Dallas

University of Rochester

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

The Chinese University of Hong Kong

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley Economics Theory Lunch *2

SERVICE

To the field:

Reviewer:

Management Science,

Marketing Science,

Journal of Marketing Research,

Production and Operations Management

To the university:

JUPAS IBBA (undergraduate) program interviewing panelist, 2024

Academic Advisor for IBBA Students, 2023 - present

To the department:

Seminar coordinator, 2024

Doctoral program interviews, 2023

Faculty recruiting interviews, 2023

ADVISING

- Wee Chaimanowong, Ph.D. co-author
- \circ Wenxiao Yang, Ph.D. co-author
- \circ Pengxiang Zhou, pre-doc co-author and letter writer
- Teng Yu, Independent Research supervisor